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A monthly letter by the Orange County region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (OCVCCA) by and for its members

Bill & Colleen Ingalls, Editors

You can soon find pictures of all our cars, car events and more on our web site:

www.ocrvcca.org Jim Karras is our website designers.

You can now find us on Facebook. Under search, just type in "Orange County Vintage Chevrolet Club of America". There you can add your friends that are interested in Chevy's and write stories about your Chevies.

Business meetings are held at 7:30 PM on the second Tuesday of the month which is May 9th. The meeting will be held at;

Church of Foothill's, 19211 Dodge Ave., Santa Ana

Dinner Club is held starts at 5:30 at Spires Restaurant located at 13451 Newport Ave. Tustin. It is located very close to our meeting location down the street. If you would like to attend, please contact *Sabrina Karras, (714) 287-4757* so she can notify the restaurant of the expect number.

Also, come have breakfast with us on June 10th. (Second Saturday) at 8:30 at our new location, Hoff's Hut in Seal Beach at 12489 Seal Beach Blvd, Seal Beach. Contact Sabrina when you plan to come so the restaurant so they can have the tables setup.

Director's Message

May 2023



Dear Chevy friends,

Sabrina and I, with several other OCVCCA members, just got home from a fun All Cal. Held in Oxnard, it was hosted by the San Fernando Region. We had a wonderful time. Come to the meeting to hear all the details.

Sabrina hit a home run with the Area 1 tour to the Lions Museum in Rancho Dominguez. The venue and subsequent lunch were enjoyed by all members in attendance. Thank you, Sabrina, for a great day!

Our next meeting is set for Tuesday, May 9th at 7 PM at the Church of the Foothills in Santa Ana. The Supper Club dinner will take place at Spires before the meeting beginning at 5:30 PM.

We will discuss our June 11th Highway 39 Event Center Brunch Tour.

Remember we don't meet for the Breakfast Club until 8:30 AM on Saturday, July 8th. We will meet again at Hoff's Hut in Seal Beach located at 12489 Seal Beach Blvd., Seal Beach.

Until next month, remember; life is a journey not a destination, so relax and enjoy the ride!

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Now's a great time to drive route 66 to the Grand Canyon!

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We always have a good time. Bring a friend and enjoy the company!



Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Orange County Region

"THE WORLD'S BEST CHEVROLET CLUB"



A non-profit organization dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and enjoyment of Chevrolet and GMC vehicles

19th ANNUAL "PICNIC IN THE PARK"

You're invited to come join in the fun! The Orange County Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America is hosting another *Picnic in the Park*.



When: Sunday, May 21st, 2023 • 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Where: Peppertree Park – 230 West First Street, Tustin, CA 92780

Why: To meet potential new members, show off our old Chevys and enjoy each other's company.

Bring your old Chevrolet, a lawn chair, and a big appetite!

We'll supply the:

★ Hot Dogs ★ ★ Hamburgers ★





Family members and guests are welcome. Bring the kids!



If you join the OCVCCA at the picnic, you will receive an introductory 18-month membership for the price of a 12-month membership. Just attend this event and complete a simple membership application.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

For More Information and to RSVP:

Contact Sabrina Karras, Picnic Volunteer E-mail: sabrinakarras@aol.com Phone: (714) 287-4757 Website: ocrvcca.org



Remember, you don't need to own an old Chevrolet to be a member of our club!

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In This Article from Hemmings (Subscribe to Hemmings Magazine to read the entire story) Category: Guides Make: Chevrolet Model: Corvette Year: 1953

After the pops of the flashbulbs and after the gathered Chevrolet workers and managers returned to their stations on the hastily thrown together assembly line in a General Motors garage in Flint, Michigan, the very first production Corvette rolled out of the garage and into mystery. Some claimed it was destroyed, the natural aftermath of torture testing at the hands of GM engineers. Others believed it could have been restyled as a Motorama show car. But, as early Corvette restorer and researcher Corey Petersen claims to have proved, that VIN #001 car still exists and has made its way to his Utah garage in preparation for full documentation and restoration.



"I've been sniffing around for it for 15 to 20 years," Petersen said. "It's been a fun chase."

In fact, Petersen said it wasn't his intention to find, let alone buy, the car all along. Instead, he and fellow Corvette researcher John Amgwert simply set out to document the three pre-production Corvette prototypes and the first dozen or so Corvettes that Chevrolet built on the Flint assembly line. Every 1953 Corvette came equipped in the same configuration - six-cylinder engine, Powerglide automatic transmission, Polo White paint, Sportsman Red interior, and whitewall tires - but as with many other cars, the earliest production versions of the Corvette had minute differences from the rest, and Petersen and Amgwert wanted to know exactly how the Flint-built cars differed from the rest of the 1953 production cars built in St. Louis.



As Karl Ludvigsen wrote in "Corvette: America's Star-Spangled Sports Car, 1953-1982," Ed Cole and his staff at Chevrolet were under a tight deadline. Harlow Curtice, then the president of GM, wanted the Corvette in production in June of 1953, just a year after it was approved for production. That meant a number of changes had to be made on the fly, including the decision to build the production cars out of fiberglass rather than steel and the conversion of the garage located on Van Slyke Road in southwest Flint previously used for Chevrolet customer deliveries into an assembly line while the St. Louis plant was being readied for production.